## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

AUTHORIZING PACER FEE
EXEMPTIONS FOR PRO BONO
MEDIATORS IN CONNECTION WITH
THEIR SERVICE TO THE MIDDLE
DISTRICT'S COURT-ANNEXED
MEDIATION PROGRAM

STANDING ORDER NO. 2022-12

(Supersedes Standing Order 2005-02)

## STANDING ORDER

AND NOW, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2022, having updated the Court's list of certified mediators and having implemented NextGen CM/ECF, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that individuals named on the Court's list of certified mediators are exempt from payment of PACER fees in cases where they are appointed to serve as a Mediator. They shall not be exempt from payment of PACER fees incurred in connection with other legal work.

IT IS ALSO ORDERED that the Court's certified mediators no longer need two separate PACER accounts as NextGen CM/ECF provides a new toggle feature that allows a certified mediator to switch from non-exempt to exempt status when performing fee exempt work. All certified mediators should register for PACER and request electronic filing privileges in the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Once a certified mediator has a PACER account and electronic filing privileges, the Clerk's Office Mediation Center Staff will contact the PACER Service Center to have their account marked as a Middle District of Pennsylvania Certified Mediator which will allow them to use the fee exempt toggle feature in CM/ECF. The current list of certified mediators can be found by clicking on the link below:

www.pamd.uscourts.gov/sites/pamd/files/mediators05.pdf

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Matthew W. Brann

Chief United States District Judge